## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE DIVISION

Case No. 6:15-cv-01855-TAD-CBW
JUDGE TERRY A. DOUGHTY
MAGISTRATE JUDGE WHITEHURST
JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

DEFENDANT PHC FLUID POWER, L.L.C.'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF TOTAL REBUILD, INC.'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION IN LIMINE REGARDING ACCUSED SYSTEMS NOT IDENTIFIED IN INFRINGEMENT CONTENTIONS

Defendant/Counterclaimant PHC Fluid Power, LLC ("Defendant") opposes Plaintiff Total Rebuild, Inc.'s request for yet another extension to respond to Defendant's Motion in Limine regarding Accused Systems Not Identified in Infringement Contentions. The requested extension would make it impossible for Defendant and its counsel to prepare for the jury trial.

The extension pertains to more than simply an allegedly last-minute temporary illness by one of the four attorneys of record for Plaintiff in this case. The requested extension pertains to a motion to exclude information that was required to be provided in **August** 2016 – over three years ago. *See* Motion in Limine (Dkt. 296). The required information was to identify specifically what systems are alleged to infringe the patent in suit. Yet, less than two week before the parties exhibit list, witness lists, jury instructions, verdict forms, and other filing are due, Plaintiff seeks another extension because it simply cannot and will not identify the systems for which the parties are going to trial. Without the identification of the systems at issue, it is impossible for Defendant and its

counsel to properly prepare for trial and provide all the exhibits and documents within the

deadlines set by the Court.

If Total is permitted to assert infringement at trial by numerous systems with different

configurations, PHC will have to prepare witnesses, exhibits, and testimony for numerous systems

within those broad categories of systems, whether Total will argue infringement by any specific

system or not. Two and a half weeks for PHC to prepare for an unknown number of accused

systems is simply insufficient. Further, PHC needs a decision on the Motion in Limine so it can

continue with other pre-trial matters if the Motion in Limine is granted.

This is yet another action by a Plaintiff who, from day one, has not been prepared to take

this case to trial. This trial has been reset multiple times. Plaintiff suspects this is simply another

delay tactic. Certainly, one of three other attorneys for Plaintiff (two of which are named partners

at the firm) could pick up the slack for an attorney who was just added to the record last week.

Accordingly, PHC respectfully requests Total's Motion for Extension be denied.

Dated: August 26, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

MILLER LEGAL PARTNERS PLLC

/s/ Nicholas R. Valenti

Samuel F. Miller, TN Bar No. 22936 Nicholas R. Valenti, TN Bar No. 35420

Fifth Third Center-Suite 2000

424 Church Street

Nashville, Tennessee 37129

Tel/Fax: (615) 988-9011

Email: smiller@millerlegalpartners.com

nvalenti@millerlegalpartners.com

**NEUNERPATE** 

/s/ Cliff A. Lacour

2

Brandon W. Letulier - #28657 Cliff A. LaCour - #30581 One Petroleum Center, Suite 200 1001 West Pinhook Road Lafayette, Louisiana 70503 Tel: (337) 237-7000

Fax: (337) 233-9450

Email: bletulier@neunerpate.com clacour@neunerpate.com

Attorneys for PHC Fluid Power, L.L.C.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that on this 26th day of August 2019, a copy of the foregoing was served on counsel of record listed below via the Court's ECF system:

William W. Stagg
Chase A. Manuel
Steven G. Durio
Tyler Rush
Durio, McGoffin, Stagg & Ackermann, PC
220 Heymann Boulevard (70503)
Post Office Box 51308 Lafayette, LA 70505-1308
Bill@dmsfirm.com
Chase@dmsfirm.com
Buzz@dmsfirm.com
tyler@dmsfirm.com

Brandon W. Letulier
Cliff A. LaCour
NeunerPate
One Petroleum Center, Suite 200
1001 W. Pinhook Road
Lafayette, LA 70503
bletulier@neunerpate.com
clacour@neunerpate.com

s/ Nicholas R. Valenti Nicholas R. Valenti